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Foreign Office issued following statement on Cuba October
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"The British Government feel deep concern at the provocative action of The Soviet Union in placing offensive nuclear weapons in Cuba. Mr. Gromyko lately gave the most positive assurance that the weapons which the Soviet Union was supplying to Cuba were purely defensive. The Soviet Union has been guilty of deception as well as guilty of deliberately opening up a new area of instability. Instructions have been sent to Sir Patrick Dean to support the American request to the Security Council that they should make recommendations to end this danger".

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